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SUBJECT: CONTINUATION OF COVERAGE AT SYRIAN MISSION BY
SECRET SERVICE UNIFORM POLICE AND REESTABLISHMENT OF
COVERAGE AT EGYPTIAN CONSULATE GENERAL AND PLO OFFICE

1. USUN SUPPORTS EXTENSION OF SECRET SERVICE UNIFORM
POLICE AT SYRIAN MISSION TO UN BEYOND SCHEDULED EXPIRATION
DATE BASED ON CURRENT SITUATION IN MIDDLE EAST AFFECTING
SYRIA, LEBANON, THE PLO, EGYPT, AND ISRAEL, SYRIAN MISSION
REPORTS IT HAS RECEIVED THREE THREATENING LETTERS IN PAST
MONTH FROM SUCH DIVERGENT QUARTERS AS A SUPPORTER OF PLO
WHO ACCUSES SYRIANS OF BEING COWARDS AND MURDERERS WHO
ALLOWED ISRAEL TO DESTROY ARAB PLO BROTHERS AND FROM AN
"OUTRAGED AMERICAN WOMAN" STATING HER HOPE THAT FOR EVERY
PALESTINIAN TERRORIST FOR WHICH SYRIA HAS PROVIDED SHELTER
ONE OF THEIR CHILDREN DIES. CRITICISM OF SYRIA FOR
MILITARY ACTIONS AGAINST CHRISTIAN AREAS IN BEIRUT HAS ALSO
HEIGHTENED AND COULD GIVE RISE TO INCIDENTS.

2. USUN ALSO RECOMMENDS REESTABLISHMENT OF COVERAGE BY
SECRET SERVICE UNIFORM POLICE AT EGYPTIAN CONSULATE GENERAL.
WE HAVE RECEIVED STRONG ORAL PROTEST FROM EGYPTIANS WHO
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CLAIM TO BE APPALLED OVER REMOVAL OF COVERAGE AT THIS TIME.
SECOND SECRETARY EL-SAID OF EGYPTIAN MISSION REFERRED TO
EVENTS IN PARIS AT IRAQI EMBASSY INDICATING THAT EGYPTIAN
PREMISES MIGHT EASILY BECOME VICTIM OF SIMILAR TERRORIST
ATTACK. POSITION TAKEN BY EGYPTIAN GOVT IN LATEST PHASE OF
MIDDLE EAST NEGOTIATIONS IS KNOWN TO BE UNPOPULAR WITH
ISRAELI SUPPORTERS IN NEW YORK AND USUN BELIEVES IT WOULD

BE PRUDENT TO AGAIN PROVIDE COVERAGE AS REQUESTED BY
EGYPTIANS.

3. USUN SUGGESTS THAT SERIOUS CONSIDERATION BE GIVEN TO RE-
ESTABLISHING SECRET SERVICE UNIFORM POLICE COVERAGE AT
OFFICES OF PLO UN OBSERVER IN LIGHT OF MURDER BY TERRORISTS
OF HEAD OF PLO OFFICE IN PARIS AUGUST 2. YOUNG

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